# DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION DIVISION OF BANKING AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS



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## STATE OF MONTANA

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June 7, 2007

CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Harry Madonna, President First Bank of Delaware 5301 Limestone Road Suite 106 Wilmington, DE 19808

Re: Cease and Desist Order

Dear Mr. Madonna:

Enclosed you will find a Cease and Desist Order issued by the Montana Division of Banking and Financial Institutions. The Order prohibits First Bank of Delaware from all lending activity in the State of Montana including payday loans, deferred deposit loans, title loans, and consumer loans.

This Order is issued based upon information and a reasonable cause to believe that First Bank of Delaware has conducted lending in the State of Montana without the requisite licenses or charter.

The Division will seek an injunction in District Court should there be any violation of the terms of this Order.

Sincerely,

Annie M. Goodwin, Commissioner

Division of Banking and Financial Institutions

c: Richard Pazereckas, Regional Director
Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation
Delaware Office of the State Bank Commissioner
Stephen Schaller, Great Plains Specialty Finance, Inc.

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# DIVISION OF BANKING AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

| In the Matter of the Unlicensed  | ) Cease and Desist Order |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Lending Activities of First Bank | )                        |
| of Delaware                      | )                        |

Pursuant to Sections 31-1-705, 32-5-103 and 32-1-402, Montana Code Annotated, and under the authority of the Commissioner of the Division of Banking and Financial Institutions;

#### IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

First Bank of Delaware ("Respondent") shall immediately cease and desist from all lending activity in the State of Montana including payday loans, deferred deposit loans, title loans, and consumer loans. This Order applies to any lending activities conducted out of any physical office or via the internet. This Cease and Desist Order ("Order") applies to all loans made under the business structure of First Bank of Delaware.

This Order is issued based upon information and a reasonable cause to believe that First Bank of Delaware has conducted lending in the State of Montana without the requisite licenses or charter.

The Division's records indicate that at no time has First Bank of Delaware possessed a Montana banking charter, deferred deposit license, consumer loan license, or any other lending license. Unlicensed and unauthorized lending are violations of the Montana Bank Act under Section 32-1-402, MCA, Montana Deferred Deposit Loan Act

under Section 31-1-705, MCA and the Montana Consumer Loan Act under Section 32-5-103, MCA. Sections 31-1-725 and 32-5-406, MCA, make such violations criminal offenses punishable by fines including, but not limited to \$1000 or imprisonment not to exceed 6 months. Section 32-1-402 and 32-1-403, MCA provides for fines of \$100 a day for every day or part of a day that a violation continues.

The Division will seek an injunction in District Court should there be any violation of the terms of this Order.

#### OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

If you disagree with the Division's decision you must request a hearing under the Montana Administrative Procedures Act. Such request must be made **in writing** and received by the Division of Banking and Financial Institutions within **10 days** of receipt of this Cease and Desist Order.

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ Stv\_\_\_ day of June, 2007.

Annie M. Goodwin, Commissioner

Division of Banking and Financial Institutions

### CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2007, a true and correct copy of the foregoing document was duly served on the following by depositing the same in the U.S. mail, postage prepaid, certified mail, addressed as follows:

Harry Madonna, President First Bank of Delaware 5301 Limestone Road Suite 106 Wilmington, DE 19808

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